

Exhibit A

Clean Version of The Pending Claims in U.S. Patent Application Ser. No. 09/916,122

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.
2. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid expression vector comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, said vector having the property of being capable of expressing the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2 when present in a suitable host cell.
3. (New) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 1, wherein said nucleotide sequence comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
4. (New) The isolated nucleic acid expression vector of claim 2, wherein said nucleotide sequence comprises the sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
5. (New) A host cell comprising the expression vector of claim 2.